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Opp: Mr. Mrawn

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My dear Bishop -

Yours of the 5th from
Napellon rec'd to-day - My letters
arrive in the morning - I get
them when my son in law comes
out at night - The answer gets
in next morning too late for
the mail of that morning - I either
get off by a mail at night, if
there be any - or else not till
next morning - I am very
sorry to hear of your dear Mother's
illness - It was not Greenleaf
parents I spoke of - I confided

these before the Convention.
in June - a confirmation is
due in Christ's Church, & I will
asky Goddard to prepare for me
about the middle of January.
I want you to come down
& preach in the Church -
the known - My thought is
at Christ Ch. to have you
preach & I confirmed. I am
often asked when you will
be here - & as this is the
strongest from many matters
as well as other considerations
it will be well, after your
return from N. Y. to make
a good long visit here -

It brightens me to hear
that you & W^m B. are "bright
as larks" - Every day I pray for
you - The Lord's grace be with
you both -

Yours affectionately
C. P. M.

Glad you like Morrell &
that his work is blessed -